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SUBJECT: TFHA01: HAITI EARTHQUAKE TASK FORCE SITUATION REPORT
NO. 30

VIP TRAVEL

1. (U) No updates at this time.

SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR)

2. (SBU) U.S. and Chilean SAR teams continue to search for signs of life at Hotel Montana January 21. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

COMMODITY FLOW

3. (SBU) A World Food Program (WFP) food warehouse in Port-au-Prince was damaged in the recent aftershocks, preventing access to the stocks within the warehouse. WFP estimates approximately 200 metric tons of food aid will be lost. (USAID SitRep #17)

4. (SBU) USAID reports security and transportation issues continue to hinder food distribution efforts. (TF1/Interagency VTC)

5. (SBU) WFP is increasing the number of food distribution points and is working to obtain a list of sites to facilitate coordination. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

6. (SBU) USAID/DART reports water production is sufficient,

and fuel is no longer a constraint for water delivery. IOM will distribute USAID/OFDA-provided hygiene kits and water containers to approximately 26,000 people in Leogane. (USAID SitRep #17)

AMERICAN CITIZEN WELFARE/WHEREABOUTS/EVACUATIONS

¶17. (SBU) As of 1500 EST, 1123 American evacuees departed Port-au-Prince by air January 21; a total of 8321 have been evacuated by land and air to date. There are 700 Americans inside the embassy and 300 outside. 250 are at the airport landing zone waiting to board departing flights. A total of 10,000 Americans have been accounted for. (TF1/Embassy Port-au-Prince e-mail)

¶18. (SBU) Of 793 LES, six are confirmed dead, 28 are unaccounted for, and six are confirmed injured, three seriously. (TF1/ Embassy Port-au-Prince e-mail)

¶19. (SBU) There are 42 confirmed American fatalities and another 22 reported. (TF1/Embassy Port-au-Prince e-mail)

¶10. (SBU) Four 50-passenger buses arrived in Haiti from Santo Domingo to transfer 200 individuals, including Haitian nationals escorting American citizen minors, from Port-au-Prince to Santo Domingo January 21. Embassy Santo Domingo confirms Haitian citizens carrying a valid passport with a U.S. visa will be permitted to enter the Dominican Republic on USG-sponsored buses. Six additional buses will arrive January 22 to transport evacuees to Santo Domingo. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call, TF1/Embassy Port-au-Prince e-mail)

¶11. (SBU) The Family Liaison Office (FLO) conducted an informal meeting with State Department evacuees and their family members. USAID also held an informal meeting for its evacuees. (TF1/FLO e-mail)

¶12. (SBU) Almost 200 orphans have already been documented for travel and have joined their families in the United States. Paperwork for more than 180 additional orphans is under review at Embassy Port-au-Prince. (TF1/CA e-mail)

MEDICAL RESPONSE

¶13. (SBU) As of 1200 EST, USNS Comfort has treated 932 patients and performed 32 surgeries. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

¶14. (SBU) USAID reports five DMATs are operational. As of 1300 EST, more than 7000 people were treated January 21, a 75 percent increase over the previous day. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

INTERNATIONAL COORDINATION/REQUESTS

¶15. (SBU) Ambassador Wolff spoke with UN Under Secretary General Holmes to request that the UN send WFP logisticians to Tucson and Port-au-Prince to coordinate logistics and liaise with SOUTHCOM on prioritizing flights into Haiti. (TF1/USUN e-mail)

¶16. (SBU) USAID reports \$90 million of the \$163.9 million pledged to date has been allocated to the UN Flash Appeal. (TF1/USAID telcon)

¶17. (U) The IMF's board is expected to approve a \$100 million loan proposal for Haiti by January 27, according to press. (Reuters)

¶18. (U) More than 100 Haitian orphans have traveled to the Netherlands and Luxembourg for adoption, according to press. (AP)

DEPLOYMENT OF U.S. GOVERNMENT ASSETS

¶19. (SBU) The U.S.-flagged Markajama is currently unloading the majority of its cargo in the Dominican Republic and is expected to travel to test the cargo unloading capability at the port of Port-au-Prince. It will transport water containers and 720,000 MRES to Port-au-Prince. (TF1/USAID telcon)

HUMANITARIAN/SECURITY/INFRASTRUCTURE

¶20. (SBU) Haiti experienced two aftershocks within 10 minutes of each other January 21. The first was a 4.9 aftershock approximately 40 miles west of Port-au-Prince. The second was a 4.8 approximately 24 miles west of the capital. No further damage or injuries have been reported. (HHS Update #10)

¶21. (SBU) DoD is increasing operations at San Ysidro and beginning operations at Barahona. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

¶22. (SBU) Haiti's Minister of Commerce announced banks will re-open the weekend of January 23, according to press. Embassy Port-au-Prince reports Moneygram and Western Union are also expected to re-open January 23. Banks will be prepared to accept wire transfers, although cash withdrawals initially will be limited to \$2500 per customer. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call, Reuters)

¶23. (SBU) Embassy Port-au-Prince is engaged with Digicel and other Haiti mobile phone carriers to coordinate security for supplying fuel to cell phone towers in Port-au-Prince. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

¶24. (SBU) Trilogy/Comcel will install a temporary cell site across the street from the U.S. Embassy to provide better cell phone coverage and service to all personnel. (TF1/Trilogy International e-mail)

¶25. (SBU) USAID reports local Haitian officials directed that no latrines be built at IDP camps, which will pose significant hygiene and sanitation problems. (TF1/Interagency VTC)

¶26. (SBU) U.S. Marines deployed to clear mud and debris from roads south of Port-au-Prince. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

¶27. (SBU) Embassy Port-au-Prince reports a lower volume of looting and crime January 21. However, DHS/ICE reported a large group of Haitians attempting to break through the pedestrian and vehicular gates at the Jimani border crossing into the Dominican Republic. Haitian Customs has begun to inspect traffic crossing into Jimani, which has increased delays along the border. (TF1/Embassy Port-au-Prince telcon, TF1/Embassy Santo Domingo e-mail)

¶28. (SBU) USAID is working to distribute 7,000 tarps that can shelter five to seven people each. (TF1/Interagency Conference Call)

POLITICAL DEVELOPMENTS

¶29. (U) No updates at this time.

¶30. (U) Additional updates are available through our Intellipedia portal on the unclassified system at: http://www.intelink.gov/wiki/Portal:Crisis_Haiti_Earthquake.

¶31. (U) Minimize considered.
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